

## Message Text

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TAGS: MPOL EAIR BE  
SUBJECT: COMPASS COPE

REF: BRUSSELS 516

1. DR. TOM HARDY, USAFE, GAVE COMPREHENSIVE BRIEFING ON COMPASS COPE, FEB. 14, AT BELGIAN AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS TO LARGE GROUP OF BELGIANS REPRESENTING ALL ELEMENTS WITH POTENTIAL INTEREST IN ISSUE.
2. BRIEFING AND FOLLOWING Q'S AND A'S ANSWERED MOST CONCERNS RAISED AND SERVED TO IDENTIFY CERTAIN TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF PROJECT ON WHICH BELGIANS REQUESTED FURTHER INFORMATION. AMONG LATTER WERE QUESTIONS ON FAILURES DUE TO AIRFRAME, FAA STATISTICS BASED ON FLORIDA TRIALS, ICING PROBLEMS IN NORTHERN CLIMATES AND ANGLE COVERED BY AIRBORNE TV. DR. HARDY PROMISED TO FURNISH ANSWERS TO THESE CONCERNS THROUGH DATT TO COL. DE DONCKER, BAF, WHO CHAIRED MEETING. SIX COPIES OF ANSWERS ARE REQUIRED.
3. BELGIANS PROMISED SPEEDY CONSIDERATION OF OUR REQUEST FOR THEIR ADVICE, AFTER RECEIPT INFORMATION PROMISED, RE POSSIBLE UNCLASSIFIED

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ROUTINE PEACETIME OPERATION OF COMPASS COPE IN BELGIAN AIR SPACE. IT WAS EVIDENT AT MEETING THAT BAF WAS FAVORABLY DISPOSED AND THAT CIVILIAN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL AUTHORITIES WERE NOT OPPOSED. IT WAS ALSO OBVIOUS TO US THAT AN RPV SYSTEM WAS AN ENTIRELY NEW CONCEPT FOR THEM AND THAT FURTHER INTRA-BELGIAN DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE NECESSARY. POSSIBILITY OF A NEW US-BELGIAN AGREEMENT TO COVER COMPASS COPE OPERATIONS WAS RAISED. RENNER

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